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NOTIFICATION OF WITHDRAWAL OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Notification is hereby given that small entity status is no longer being claimed in this case. Please update the Patent Office records accordingly and please accept large entity fees remitted hereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT
OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

With respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance dated October 11, 2006, Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner to any extent that such statement characterizes the invention in a manner at variance with the actual wording of the claims.

As set forth in the Notice of Allowance, these comments are being filed along with the payment of the Issue Fee.

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